

MR. TRAFTON LEAVES CITY.

Force of Hopkinsville Democrat To Find Berths Elsewhere.

When the Morning Democrat ceased publication last Thursday morning it threw a large force of editorial and mechanical employees out of work.

Editor Spalding Trafton left Thursday for his old home in Henderson.

City editor H. A. Long will probably take a position on a Lexington or Louisville paper.

Mr. T. G. Skinner, business manager, a nephew of Mr. Duffy, has not made known his future plans.

Mr. T. O. Wallace, foreman, it is said, will go to Louisville.

Frank Logan, the make-up man, will probably go to the Henderson Journal.

Robt. Torian, night lineotype operator, takes his old position with the New Era.

Thomas Binkley, day lineotype man, goes to Louisville.

Eukley Irwin, compositor, goes to Louisville.

C. H. Gorrell, pressman, plans not known.

Mr. Spalding Trafton, managing editor of the paper, did splendid work during the brief existence of the Democrat. He will be the next postmaster at Henderson. He has no opposition and his application was heartily endorsed by Congressman Stanley, Senator James and a host of close and influential friends. He will make a fine postmaster and the many friends he made while here wish that he may soon be appointed to the position to which he expects to succeed in the spring.

President's Cold Troubling Him.

Washington, December 12.—President Wilson stayed in his room yesterday fighting a cold and cancelled all his engagements. The President was to have been presented by the British Ambassador with an embossed copy of an address delivered at Carlyle, England, and had several engagements with congressmen.

The President's indisposition really began a week ago. It started with a cold in the head and nose and extended to his throat. He improved by staying in bed several days last week, but during the last day or two took a little more cold, which affected his voice. He intends now to remain in bed until he gets rid of the cold.

DR. BEAZLEY
Specialist
(Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat)

A REQUEST

From The President Of The Civic League

Not only the members of the Civic League, but all the women of the city are requested to do their Christmas shopping early and as little as possible at night.

It is hoped the merchants will join in this effort to lighten the work of the clubs by putting on their attractive bargains in the day time.

Let us not forget that this is a season of kindness to others.

MRS. FRANK YOST,
President Civic League.

Purely Personal.

Mrs. Belle Hardin is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George E. Gary.

Miss Mary Danforth, who visited friends in Lexington, has returned home.

Mrs. Henry Jouett, who was taken suddenly very ill the first of last week, is convalescing.

Dr. J. W. Harned has returned from Louisville, where he attended a meeting of the city, county and State boards of health.

Mrs. S. Y. Trimble and children went to Louisville the first of the week on a short visit.

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To Reorganize G. O. P.

Plans for the reorganization of the Republican party, which will be submitted to the National Committee next week, were discussed by progressive Republicans last night in Washington.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDS

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The firemen were elected in the same way.

The election of a sexton for Cave Spring Cemetery is to be taken up later.

The Council adjourned shortly before nine o'clock.

VETO MESSAGE.

To The Council:

I herewith return without my approval Ordinance No. 1, fixing salaries for the City officers whose terms will begin Jan. 5, 1914, which ordinance was passed Dec. 5, 1913.

While the changes made in the existing salaries are few, long experience in city affairs has shown me that the present arrangement of salaries is altogether wrong in some very important particulars. As an example, the chief executive officer of the city, upon whom devolves the responsibility of enforcing all laws of the city, of maintaining a general oversight over its various departments, presiding over meetings of the Council, executing contracts, directing the police department and passing upon innumerable matters of detail almost every hour in the day, is paid but \$600 a year, while several subordinate officers are paid

from \$1,500 to \$2,000 each, for rendering occasional services that do not seriously interfere with their private business. Even the Assessor, who is required to give but one month's service in the year, receives more compensation than the Mayor, who is always on duty; or the Clerk who is required to furnish a stenographer at his own expense for the executive office; or the Treasurer, who collects nearly one-third of the revenues of the city without cost and disburses all of them through thousands of checks, executes a heavy bond and is required to submit monthly reports and attend the meetings of the Council.

The proposed ordinance not only continues these inequalities, but attempts to make a literal application of the Scripture prophecy which says: "For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance."

Outside of the police, fire and cemetery departments there are 16 officers entrusted with the administrative affairs of the city, whose salaries for 1913, aggregate \$8,825, as follows:

Engineer.....	1,000
Physician.....	200
Assessor.....	625
Collector.....	1,946
Total.....	\$8,825

In the fees for Judge and Attorney the month of December is estimated by using the figures of last December, while the Collector's salary is for but eleven months. Of this entire sum, \$4,569, or considerably more than one-half, is paid to three officers, who are not required to give all of their time to the city, but whose duties are often attended to by others and at least one of these offices is so unimportant that the charter provides that the duties may be performed by either the Chief of Police or Treasurer.

To increase the salaries of these positions over 1913 by from \$10 to \$25 a month and to deny corresponding increases to the poorly paid officers, may be in accordance with the Scripture quoted above, but it is not just and does not show a proper regard to the public service. I know of no other city with a population of 10,000 that pays any minor officer more than the Mayor, Council and Clerk combined and yet that is being done under the present ordinance that you have sought to re-enact, I am sure without a knowledge of these facts.

At a time when practically all of the administrative officers are to be changed, the exceptions being those who have prospered at the expense of the hard workers of other departments, notably the firemen who risk their lives for \$10 a month, I urge you, having no personal interest whatever in the outcome, to reconsider your past action, correct the mistakes of previous Councils and make an equitable distribution at

Waller-Payne.

Trenton, Ky., Dec. 10.—At the bride's home in this city this evening at 5 o'clock Miss Ophelia Payne, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Payne, and Mr. Frank W. Waller, a well known farmer near this city, were wedded. Miss Mary and Sarah Payne, twin sisters of the bride, acted as bridesmaids. The groom is 43 and the bride 22. He is a widower. After a wedding supper the couple departed to the groom's home near the city, where they will be at home.

\$758 From L. C.

Sheriff Johnson's bank account was swelled to the amount of \$758.62 in the shape of a check from the L. C. Railway Co., taxes for 1912. This would have been paid sooner had the valuation of the company's property not been in the courts for a decision.

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this time of the funds set apart for paying salaries.

Very Respectfully,
CHAS. M. MEACHAM,
Mayor.

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